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SUBJECT: ANNUAL SOCIALIST COMPETITION IN AGRICULTURE ANNOUNCED

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1. FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF JOINT PARTY-GOVERNMENT DECREE ON 1975 SOCIALIST COMPETITION IN INDUSTRY (SEE REFTEL), CENTRAL PRESS JAN 12 CARRIES ANNOUNCEMENT OF PARALLEL COMPETITION IN AGRICULTURAL SECTOR, ENTITLED: "CONCERNING THE ALL-UNION SOCIALIST COMPETITION OF WORKERS IN AGRICULTURE FOR INCREASING THE PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE AND LIVESTOCK IN 1975 AND FOR THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE NINTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN."

2. AS IN CASE OF DECREE ON SOCIALIST COMPETITION IN INDUSTRY, LATEST ANNOUNCEMENT CONTAINS NO MAJOR SURPRISES. BASIC CONTENT OF AGRICULTURAL COMPETITION WILL INCLUDE EFFORTS TO INCREASE RATES OF PRODUCTION, SUCCESSFULLY FULFILL AND OVERFULFILL PLANS AND OBLIGATIONS FOR SALE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS TO STATE, AND ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE BOTH IN QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF PRODUCTION. FURTHER, STRESS LAID ON

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INCREASING FIELD PRODUCTIVITY (UROZHAYNOST') OF GRAINS,

SUGAR BEETS, POTATOES, AND OTHER CROPS. IN LIVESTOCK  
RAISING, WORKERS ENCOURAGED TO WORK TO INCREASE SIZES OF  
HEARDS AND TO ACHIEVE MORE EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF FEEDS.

3. AS IN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITION, AWARDS FOR WINNING  
COLLECTIVES GENERALLY "MORAL" (MEDALS AND BANNERS), ALTHOUGH  
UP TO 25,000 TOURIST TRIPS WILL BE GIVEN TO "LEADERS OF  
PRODUCTION AND BEST YOUNG RURAL WORKERS."  
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